

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.:	10/706,742	§	Examiner:	Farrokh, Hashem
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Title:	Provisioning and	§		
	Snapshotting Using Copy	§		
	on Read/Write and	§		
	Transient Virtual Machine	§		
	Technology	§		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF
December 4, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of December 4, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.